THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. NACIL has taken several initiatives to turnaround the performance of the company focussing on Cost Reduction and Revenue Enhancement.

User charges on air passengers

1233. SHRI DHARAM PAL SABHARWAL: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Delhi International Airport Ltd. (DIAL) have levied on passengers development fee on both domestic and international routes;

(b) if so, the reasons for charging this fee from the passengers for services that are not available;

(c) whether Government would intervene and withdraw charging the passengers by DIAL and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether DIAL have increased parking fee at the domestic and international terminals;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) what are the reasons for charging exorbitant parking charges?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) to (c) DIAL has prepared a Master Plan for modernisation of the airport to world class standards, well in time for commonwealth Games 2010. The Master Plan is under implementation at the presently estimated cost of Rs.8975 crores. Keeping in view the paramount importance of completing the project in time for the Commonwealth Games, the Government have, approved, purely on an *ad-hoc* basis, the levy of Development fee @ Rs.1300/- per departing international passenger and @Rs.200/- per departing domestic passenger with effect from 01.03.2009, for a period of 36 months, to bridge the funding gap.

(d) to (f) M/s DIAL have informed that they have introduced a slab in parking rates *w.e.f.* 01.08.2008 instead of flat rates applicable earlier. The parking rates have been revised to encourage maximum vehicles to go out within the first 30 minutes to avoid traffic congestion in the car parking areas during peak hours.

Air lines operating from Sanganer Airport, Jaipur

†1234. SHRI LALIT KISHORE CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to refer to the answer to Starred Question 585 given in the Rajya Sabha on 28th November, 2006 and state:

(a) the names of the airlines operating international flights and destinations thereof from the Sanganer Airport at Jaipur;

(b) whether the city of Jaipur showed its presence on international aviation map merely on the basis of two-three flights;

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(c) whether the responsibility of full maintenance of these international flights lies with Sanganer Airport;

(d) the place where the overhauling and the maintenance of Delhi bound international flights is undertaken; and

(e) whether it would be contemplated to make general maintenance and overhauling arrangement at Jaipur?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) and (b) The airlines operating international flights and destinations thereof from Sanganer Airport, Jaipur are Air India (Dubai via Delhi), Air India Express (Dubai), Oman Air (Muscat) and Air Arabia (Sharjah). Additionally, non-scheduled international charter flights also do occasionally operate to Jaipur airport.

(c) and (d) No major maintenance is approved for airlines at Sanganer Airport, Jaipur. Airlines are approved to carry out major maintenance at their respective maintenance bases in Delhi or outside Delhi.

(e) No, Sir.

Presence of Trolly on the runway of Mumbai Airport

1235. SHRI RRAVEEN RASHTRAPAL: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry is aware about serious lapses on the part of staff and Officers at Mumbai Airport during second week of November, 2009;

(b) who was responsible for keeping trolly on the run-way at Mumbai Airport when Air India Flight was to land on night of 11 November, 2009; and

(c) what action has been taken against erring official?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) and (b) M/s. Mumbai International Airport Pvt. Ltd. has informed that there was no trolley on the runway at Chhatrapati Shivaji International Airport, Mumbai when Air India Flight was to land the night of 11th November, 2009.

(c) Does not arise.

Merger of State Bank of Indore with SBI

1236. SHRI R.C. SINGH:
SHRI D. RAJA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Bank employees have planned to go on a one-day strike protesting against the proposed merger of State Bank of Indore with State Bank of India (SBI); and

(b) if so, at what stage is the proposal and what is the reaction of Government to the stand of the employees on the issue?